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POULTRY USED IN CANNING AND OTHER PROCESSED FOODS
August 1955

The detailed statistics on poultry used in canning and other processed foods presented for the first time in this report differ considerably from the statistical series previously published in the monthly report "Canned Poultry." All figures in this report are ready-to-cook weights. Previously, canned and eviscerated poultry figures were published on a dressed weight basis. The new statistical series has been expanded to show separate statistics for chickens, turkeys and other poultry, both eviscerated and used in canning. Separate data are no longer available on quantities certified for canning and for evisceration. For comparative purposes, the monthly details are shown beginning with January 1954, which is the first month for which the new data are available. A breakdown of chickens and turkeys eviscerated by major classes is shown beginning with July 1955.

Poultry used in canning and in other processed foods in August totaled 13,380,000 pounds ready to cook weights, compared with 14,511,000 pounds in August last year. The quantity used in August this year consisted of 11,606,000 pounds of chickens, 1,745,000 pounds of turkeys, and 29,000 pounds of other poultry. No comparisons are available with a year ago for the various classes of poultry used.

The quantity of poultry certified under Federal inspection during August totaled 105,519,000 pounds compared with 79,059,000 pounds in August last year. Of this total, 72,089,000 pounds were chickens and other poultry, and 33,430,000 pounds were turkeys. During August of last year, the quantity of poultry certified consisted of 50,419,000 pounds of chickens and other poultry, and 28,640,000 pounds of turkeys.

POULTRY USED IN CANNING AND OTHER PROCESSED FOODS - 1954-55 1/
(Ready to cook weights)

Month	Young Chickens 2/	Mature Chickens 2/	Turkeys 2/	Other Poultry 2/	Total Poultry
	1955	1955	1955	1955	1954 1955
THOUSAND POUNDS					
January	:	:	:	:	11,881 14,786
February	:	:	:	:	12,255 12,981
March	:	:	:	:	12,945 15,406
April	:	:	:	:	14,590 13,598
May	:	:	:	:	16,667 16,941
June	:	:	:	:	21,178 15,579
July	: 304	: 7,636	: 1,543	: 0	12,885 9,483
August	: 365	: 11,241	: 1,745	: 29	14,511 13,380
September	:	:	:	:	12,616
October	:	:	:	:	16,978
November	:	:	:	:	17,064
December	:	:	:	:	15,537
Total	:	:	:	:	179,107
Total	:	:	:	:	:

Jan.-Aug. Incl. : 116,912 112,154
1/ Includes USDA inspected and other. 2/ Data not available for 1954.
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1/ Includes an undetermined quantity of other poultry, except turkeys until July 1955.

2/ Included with total chickens--separate data not available.

Poultry Eviscerated Under USDA Inspection Service, by classes -- 1955
(Ready-to-cook weights)

	Chickens		Turkeys		Fryer- Roaster
Months	Young	Mature	Young	Old	
	THOUSAND POUNDS				
January	-	-	-	-	-
February	-	-	-	-	-
March	-	-	-	-	-
April	-	-	-	-	-
May	-	-	-	-	-
June	-	-	-	-	-
July	36,256	19,534	9,588	960	3,480
August	43,776	24,683	28,978	891	3,630
September	-	-	-	-	-
October	-	-	-	-	-
November	-	-	-	-	-
December	-	-	-	-	-
Total					
July-Aug. Incl.	80,032	44,217	38,566	1,851	7,110